

ARKANSAS BROILER HATCHERY



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ARKANSAS CHICK PLACEMENTS UP 8 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

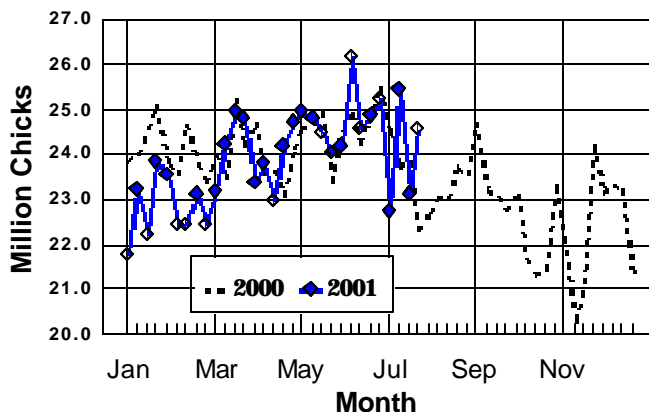
Broiler-type **chicks placed** for meat production in Arkansas was 24.6 million during the week ending August 4, 2001, according to the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service. Placements were up 8 percent from the comparable week in 2000, and 6 percent above the previous week, and included 2.6 million chicks shipped in from other states. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through August 4, 2001 were 741.4 million, down 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.

The broiler-type **chicks hatched** for the week was 25.2 million, 2 percent above the corresponding week a year earlier, and 4 percent above the previous week. Of the total hatch, 2.9 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 82.4 percent.

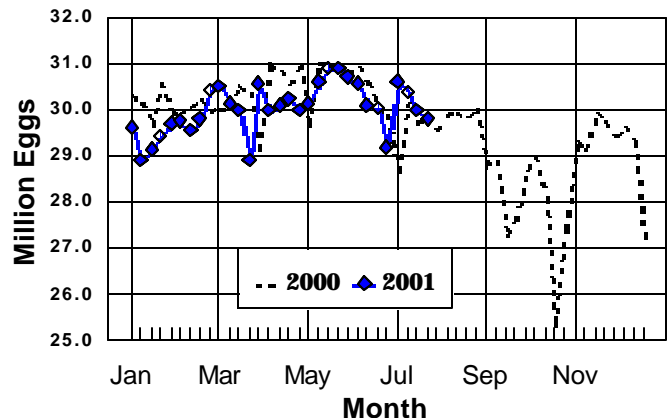
Arkansas hatcheries **set** 29.8 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending August 4, 2001, 1 percent above the same period last year, but 1 percent below the previous week.

Week Ending	NET PLACEMENTS			CHICKS HATCHED			EGGS SET		
	2000	2001	% Change	2000	2001	% Change	2000	2001	% Change
	<i>1,000</i>			<i>1,000</i>			<i>1,000</i>		
Jun. 30	25,510	24,872	98	25,970	25,620	99	29,920	30,055	100
Jul. 7	24,510	25,271	103	25,693	25,454	99	28,673	29,204	102
Jul. 14	23,772	22,778	96	25,140	25,030	100	30,353	30,644	101
Jul. 21	23,887	25,493	107	24,911	24,799	100	29,752	30,408	102
Jul. 28	23,047	23,136	100	23,611	24,172	102	29,900	29,986	100
Aug. 4	22,725	24,597	108	24,726	25,245	102	29,565	29,819	101

CHICKS PLACED IN ARKANSAS, 2000 - 2001



EGGS SET, 2000 - 2001



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BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED IN 15 MAJOR STATES BY WEEKS, 2001

EGGS SET (in Thousands)						CHICKS PLACED (in Thousands)						
	Week Ending				1/		Week Ending				1/	
STATE	14-Jul	21-Jul	28-Jul	04-Aug	%	30-Jun	07-Jul	14-Jul	21-Jul	28-Jul	04-Aug	%
Alabama	29,484	29,582	28,592	29,994	104	22,473	22,714	21,629	22,337	21,850	22,603	105
ARKANSAS	30,644	30,408	29,986	29,819	101	24,872	25,271	22,778	25,493	23,136	24,597	108
Delaware	3,470	3,458	3,384	3,383	85	4,607	4,325	4,611	4,625	5,127	4,433	103
Florida	2,251 *	2,373	2,302	2,220	83	2,417	2,527	2,276	2,327	2,280	2,068	90
Georgia	31,901	31,509	30,603 *	31,671	106	25,573	26,147	24,440	25,573	24,257 *	25,676	107
Maryland	8,822	8,821	8,701	8,756	104	5,229	5,886	5,668	5,750	5,374	5,686	91
Mississippi	18,830	18,747	18,223 *	19,077	104	15,713	15,477	15,449	15,381	15,639 *	15,597	103
N. Carolina	17,008 *	17,731	17,473	18,155	498	14,817	13,534	13,950	13,838	13,900	14,052	100
Pennsylvania	4,044	3,944	4,018 *	3,671	76	2,727	2,691	2,639	2,588	2,748 *	2,817	103
S. Carolina	4,903	4,992	4,899	4,833	36	4,139	3,863	4,251	3,983	3,993	3,748	102
Texas	14,368 *	14,340 *	13,911 *	14,163	222	11,797	11,846 *	11,879 *	10,384 *	11,772 *	11,400	111
Virginia	6,519	6,566	6,550	6,550	59	6,072	5,949	5,432	4,731	5,347	5,527	103
CA TN & W VA	11,614	11,956	11,401 *	11,522	****	10,079	10,181	10,352	9,866	10,275 *	10,147	104
Total 2001	183,858 *	184,427 *	180,043 *	183,814		150,515	150,411 *	145,354 *	146,876 *	145,698 *	148,351	
Total 2000	178,837	178,484	178,863	178,892		149,938	147,115	144,530	140,783	140,937	142,149	
% PREV. YEAR	103	103	101	103		100	102	101	104	103	104	
APPROXIMATE MARKETING DATE 2001.....						18-Aug	25-Aug	01-Sep	08-Sep	15-Sep	22-Sep	

* Revised . 1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

*Kentucky	5,698	5,700	5,429	5,268	****		4,224	4,543	4,268	4,412	4,177	4,375	****
*Oklahoma	6,076	6,228	6,256	6,362	****		5,099	4,086	5,563	4,174	3,970	4,385	****
*LA & MO	8,731	8,793	8,662	9,022	****		8,264	9,113	8,595	7,165	9,067	8,590	****
19 StateTotal	204,363 *	205,148 *	200,390 *	204,466			168,102	168,153 *	163,780 *	162,627 *	162,912 *	165,701	

* Beginning May 16, 2001 four additional States are being published for the first time in the weekly broiler program.

EGGS SET IN 15 MAJOR BROILER PRODUCING STATES UP 3 PRECENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-state weekly program set 184 million eggs during the week ending August 4, 2001. This was up 3 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 82 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP 4 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 15-state weekly program placed 148 million chicks for meat production during the week ending August 4, 2001. Placements were up 4 percent from the comparable week in 2000. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through August 4, 2001 were 4.57 billion, up slightly from the same period a year earlier.